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Thursday nine of the clock present as before  
The House adjourned till nine of the clock in the afternoon.

The House met again.

Present as in the morning except the Governor

Then came Sh: Sotley & J: Morecroft Gent: & informed the house that they being Delegates for St. Mary's County were attending the meeting of the Lower House of Assembly in the usual place of meeting appointed by the Governor in the house purchased by the province for the holding of assemblies & administration of justice that they were from thence warned to attend the Lower House in another place not appointed by the Governor which they had refused to do, till they had licence from the Governor to do or from the Chancellor & Speaker of the Upper house as representing the Governor's person

To which was answered

That this House did approve of their attending in the usual place of meeting for the Lower House & declared their opinion that they ought not to attend the Lower House in any other place till the Lower House had licence to adjourn themselves to some other place from the Governor which was not yet had nor could be yet granted by the Chancellor as not representing the Governor's person

Then came two members of the Lower House & desired that the Chancellor would be pleased to transmitt the patent whereby the Lord Proprietary holds this Province to the Lower House therefore: upon the Chancellor demanded where the Lower House was sitting, to which they answered in a house near adjoining to the House of Assembly. Whereupon by advice of the house the Chancellor told them that he could not own them to be the Lower House of Assembly without they were sitting in their usual place which was appointed by the Governor, unless they had licence from him to adjourn to some other place which as yet was unknown to this house

Present the Governor

Then came two members from the Lower House & desired leave of the Governor to adjourn into another house, which was granted

Then came three members of the Lower House & desired to have a copy of the Lord Proprietary's patent for this Province that they may the better proceed & not intrench upon his Lordship's prerogative

To which was answered

That they might have a copy thereof in the morning

The House Adjourned till to morrow morning Nine of the Clock at the House where Mr. Williams kept his Store

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 1669

Present The Honourable Charles Calvert Esq: Philip Calvert Esq: Jerome White Baker Broke Tho: Trueman & Will: Calvert Esq: